

Receipt date: 09/05/2006

AP20 Rec'd PCT/PTO 05 SEP 2006

10591610 - GAU: 1796

Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box →



PTO/SB/08A (08-00)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 1 of 1

Complete if Known

Application Number	Not Yet Assigned
Filing Date	September 5, 2006
First Named Inventor	SCHOLZ et al.
Group Art Unit	Not Yet Assigned
Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned
Attorney Docket Number	39509-236151

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number	Kind Code ² (if known)			
/M.S./		6,331,588	B1	SYUUICHI et al.	12/18/2001	
		2002/168524	A1	DIETER et al.	11/14/2002	
		5,976,480	A	MANGOLD et al.	11/02/1999	
					11/14/2002	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document			Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ₆
		Office ³	Number ⁴	Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				
		WO	2004/033544	A	SCHOLZ et al.	04/11/2004		
		EP	1 085 053	A	GE BAYER	03/21/2001		
		WO	03/040048	A	KNUT	05/15/2003		
		EP	1 182 168	A	DEGUSSA	02/27/2002		
		EP	0 900 829	A	DOW CORNING	03/10/1999		
		EP	0 691 365	A	SONDERHOFF	01/10/1996		
		DE	43 23 229	A1	KABEL	01/19/1995		

Examiner Signature	/Michael Salvitti/	Date Considered	04/06/2009
-----------------------	--------------------	--------------------	------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Unique citation designation number. ² See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

VENABLE
ATTORNEYS AT LAW